

The regular meeting of the Board of Health was called to order by Board President Dr. Lincoln at the above time and date. The Compliance Statement as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, and Chapter 231 was read.

Dr. Lincoln spoke about the passing of Board of Health and Library Board Member, Ms. Peggy Scheulen. Dr. Lincoln said Ms. Scheulen was a Board of Health member for many years and she will leave some big shoes to fill.

Roll Call

Present: Dr. Lincoln, Ms. Kearny, Dr. Miller, Ms. Deppert, Dr. Valas (8:06 p.m.) and Mr. Spies.

Also Present: Ms. Caperino – Principal Registered Environmental Health Specialist
Councilman Goldsmith, Council Liaison (7:40 p.m.)
Ms. Tonya Janeiro – Board Secretary

Due to a lack of quorum, the May 2023 Board of Health meeting was cancelled.

Invoices: Invoices for April & May 2023

RR Donnelley - \$99.00

Lori Woods - \$72.05 (Travel Reimbursement)

Payroll Welfare Administration - \$453.17

Motion to approve the invoices for April & May 2023 was made by Mr. Spies, seconded by Ms. Deppert and carried by all members.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the meeting minutes for the April 20, 2023 meeting was made by Dr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Kearny and carried by all members eligible to vote.

Councilman Goldsmith joined the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Reports: The following activity reports are on file in the Borough Board of Health Office.

REHS Monthly Reports for April & May 2023: Ms. Caperino went over the submitted report. Ms. Caperino spoke about the following items....

231 Emily Drive – The court hearing regarding an illegal kennel at a single-family home has been adjourned until July 2023.

Girl from Empanada / Luxx Chocolate – chocolatier will be sharing space and selling at farmers markets.

All pools have been inspected.

Inspections were completed and passed for the Park Ridge Car Show and local baseball tournament.

There are two new bakeries coming to town. One has submitted plans, and one has not.

Health Consultation Reports: The Board went over the submitted April & May 2023 reports.

Communicable Disease Report April & May 2023: The Board went over the submitted April & May 2023 reports.

Animal Control Responses Reports – The Board went over the submitted April & May 2023 reports.

Monthly Dog License Reports – The Board went over the submitted January, February, March, April and May 2023 reports.

Council Report: Councilman Bruce Goldsmith spoke about the following items....
Access for All

Old Business: The Board discussed the following items:

Virtual / In-Person Meetings - A Board discussion took place regarding the pros and cons of virtual meetings. Some members believe we should be meeting face to face, while other members believe Zoom meetings are more productive. It was decided that the meetings will resume on Zoom for now. A discussion will take place at a later date regarding the January 2024 Re-organization meeting.

Residential Animal Restrictions – The Board decided to discuss this matter at a later date. Ms. Caperino spoke about the benefits of having a residential animal restriction ordinance in place, especially in hoarding cases. The Board asked Councilman Goldsmith to discuss with the Borough Attorney.

Correspondence: None

Old Business: The Board discussed the following items:

A Board discussion took place regarding the pros and cons of virtual meetings. Dr. Lincoln is in favor of having the January and September meetings in person. This item will be listed on the May 18, 2023 agenda for further discussion.

New Business: The Board discussed the following items:

Rabies Clinic – Ms. Janeiro announced that the Rabies Clinic is scheduled for November 1, 2023 located at the Utility Garage.

Family of Peggy Scheulen – Ms. Deppert asked what can the Board do for the family of Peggy Scheulen. As per the families wishes, a contribution will be sent to West Bergen Mental Healthcare in Ms. Scheulen’ s name.

Dr. Valas joined the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

A quick re-cap was given to Dr. Valas as to what has been discussed at today’s meeting.

The holiday gathering was discussed. This matter will be re-visited in the fall.

Public Comment: There were no members of the public present.

Ms. Deppert asked if the health reports were kept in the library. Ms. Janeiro said no, all reports are kept in her office.

Councilman Goldsmith spoke about how great the recent town picnic was. Dr. Valas said the Board of Health previously had a table at the town picnic. Councilman Goldsmith spoke about his background in video. A discussion was had to all members pertaining to making some videos on different topics promoting the Board of Health. Ms. Janeiro will e-mail all members for suggested topics.

Adjournment: The meeting ended at 8:19p.m. The next meeting is scheduled virtually for September 21, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Board of Health Secretary